

## **Rule 16b Scheduling Order**

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### **United States District Court**

**For The Northern District of Illinois  
Eastern Division**

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Plaintiff(s),	)	
v.	)	Case No.:
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	)	Magistrate Judge Maria Valdez
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Defendant(s).	)	
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### **PROPOSED SCHEDULING ORDER**

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#### **1. Discovery**

The following time limits and deadlines shall be applicable:

- A. All disclosures required by Rule 26(a)(1) shall be made on or before \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. Any amendments to pleadings or actions to join other parties shall be filed on or before \_\_\_\_\_. (It is recommended that any joinder or amendments be made early in the discovery process so as to avoid the need to prolong discovery as to new parties or new issues.)
- C. The cutoff of fact discovery is \_\_\_\_\_.
- D. The parties shall disclose expert testimony pursuant to Rule 26(a)(2) on or before \_\_\_\_\_.
- E. The parties may depose the other side's expert at any time prior to \_\_\_\_\_.
- F. The parties shall disclose any rebuttal expert pursuant to Rule 26(a)(2)(c) at any time prior to \_\_\_\_\_.

G. The parties shall have until \_\_\_\_\_ to depose the opposing party's rebuttal expert.

**2. Motions**

A. Any dispositive motions to be filed on or before \_\_\_\_\_. (Ordinarily this date will be 30 days following the close of fact discovery.)

B. Any *Daubert* motions to be filed on or before \_\_\_\_\_. (Ordinarily this date will be 30 days following the close of expert discovery.)

**3. Final Pretrial Order and Conference**

The final pretrial order shall be filed on or before \_\_\_\_\_. (Ordinarily this date will be 90 days after the deadline for dispositive motions.)

The final pretrial conference will be held on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_.m. (This date and time will be set by the Court at the Rule 16 conference.)

**4. Trial**

Trial is set in this matter on \_\_\_\_\_ at 10:00 a.m. (The trial date will be set by the Court at the Rule 16 conference.)

**5. Status Hearings**

A further status hearing/preliminary pretrial conference should be held on \_\_\_\_\_.

**ENTERED:**

**Dated:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**HON. MARIA VALDEZ**  
**United States Magistrate Judge**